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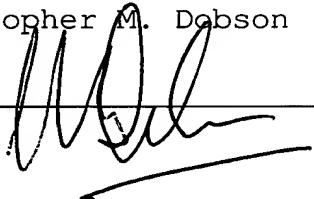
1. I am the named inventor of the above described patent application.
2. I am also the Christopher M. Dobson named as one of the authors of J. Guizarro et al., 95 Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 4224-4228 (1998). As indicated by the designation "corresponding author" on that article, I was the primary author of that article.
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of the present application. To the extent that there are portions of that article that describe matters also claimed in the present application, those portions were derived by the article from me as a sole inventor, and are not the inventive contribution of another.

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